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**UNDER 37 CFR §1.56**

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**RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT**

The document is in English, and was cited in the Examination Report of May 9, 2007, received in the corresponding GCC application, a copy of which is enclosed.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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